Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) & (b). The member is referred to the answer to question No. 10 of the Vrischigam sitting.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

159. Will the Government be pleased to state why it was not possible for the Government to send some qualified men for Vellore training, while Mr. Krishna Menon was the Commissioner of Police ?

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

Government did not feel the necessity then. Vellore training is necessary now for continuing the British system which is being introduced into the State by the present Police Commissioner.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

160. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) when did the Government first start correspondence for sending a few people for Vellore training;

(b) whether the Government advertised for qualified candidates; and if the answer is in the negative, to give reasons for not doing it;

(c) that, if appointments are not advertised, how it will be possible for qualified men in the State to apply for such appointments and also for the Government to select the best qualified candidates;

(d) whether the Government is aware that the policy adopted by the Government in selecting candidates from, as well as from outside, the service for appointments in the Government service is causing great disappointments to the officers in service and also to the public in general;

(e) whether the Government has perused the following sentences published (page 2, column 2) in the '*Lokaprakasam*' of the 9th November 1925 ?

"ഉദ്യോഗ കാര്യത്തിൽ നീതിന്യായം സാമാന്യത്തിലധികം പങ്കുണ്ടോ എന്നുള്ള ആവലായി ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുടെ ഇടയിൽ യാതൊളംഉണ്ട്. കൊച്ചി രാജ്യത്തിൽ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനത്തിൽ കയാറംകൊട്ടുക്കുന്നതിനും, യാതൊരു നിജപ്പെടുത്തപ്പെട്ടതോതും വ്യവസ്ഥയും ഇല്ലെന്നു കാരകാലത്തിനിപ്പുറം പല സംഗതികളിലും കാണുന്നുണ്ട്." "സേവ, ശിപാർശി.... അധികം പ്രബല പ്പെട്ടുകാണുന്നതു

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) 15th March 1925.

(b) The member is referred to the answer to Q. No. 11.

(c) The field for selection being limited, it is not difficult for the Government to select the best qualified hands

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(d) Government are not aware of any reasonable disappointment to anybody.

(e) Yes.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

The answer is: "the field for selection being limited, it is not difficult for the Government to select the best qualified hands". Does it mean that the field of selection was confined to the candidates selected, or was it confined to the whole State? I want to know whether there were not suitable candidates in the State. If not, opportunities should be given to the other candidates also.

PRESIDENT.

This question was put by Mr. Salem and answered.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

There are young graduates in the Police Department, Sir. Generally, if young graduates do not get any appointment in the State, they go out. Should not opportunities be given to those subjects also?

PRESIDENT.

It is a matter of selection.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

The field for selection need not have been confined only to the 3 members now selected but should have included others also. The word "selection" does not confine the province of selection to the three candidates. That cannot be a selection. Here no applications were received, and they were not applicants. In answer to another question, it is said that they did not apply. Without receiving any application from them, they were selected.

PRESIDENT.

Candidates can have an interview.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

We who live outside Trichur and Ernakulam do not get an opportunity to understand these things. We are also the subjects of His Highness. We should also be given such opportunities as are given to those who live in this town.

PRESIDENT.

One was selected from Trichur.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

He got information.

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PRESIDENT.

You say that it should be made more public. Sometimes Deputy Superintendents of Police were chosen in Madras after advertisement. In such cases, competitive examinations are held and candidates are selected. What is the practice now?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

Applications are called for, candidates are seen by the select committee, and then selection is made.

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

It is not so in all cases.

PRESIDENT.

I know, in the case of the Superintendent of Post Offices, one was selected for his high connections and respectable character. In the case of the appointment of the Right Hon'ble Srinivasa Sastri's son as Superintendent of Post Offices, I know he is only a graduate, and the selection was made without any publication. Anyhow, publication may be made hereafter.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

161. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) when and how the candidates now selected for Vellore training came first to know of the appointments in the Police Department in store for them;

(b) whether they have submitted applications for selecting them, and if the answer is in the affirmative, when they did so;

(c) whether they have mentioned in their applications that any posts in the Police Department should be guaranteed to them after Vellore training;

(d) whether the Government has guaranteed to give (all or any of them) any appointments in the Police Department; if so, what posts, and for how many years;

(e) whether it has been the general policy of the Government to guarantee posts when the Government sends for training or higher studies those who have not been in service?

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) They came to know of their appointments by the orders of the Government regarding their selection, which were issued, in the case of Messrs. Mannadiar and Devassi, on 22nd September 1925, and in the case of Mr. Neelakandha Menon, on 24th October 1925.

(b) No.

(c) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (b).

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